

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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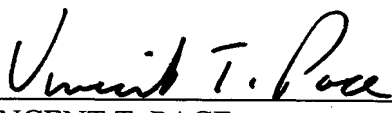
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The present application claims domestic priority under 35 USC 120
from U.S. Application No. 09/244,914 ('914 application), filed February 4, 1999. The
patents and other documents listed on the Form PTO-1449 are of record in the '914
application. Accordingly, copies are not enclosed herewith in accordance with 37
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Applicant respectfully requests that the listed information be fully
considered during examination of this application.

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